Guidelines Specific to 2nd Congressional District

Important Information

- Art work that is sent to our District Office (375 W. Padonia Road, Suite 200, Timonium) does NOT have to be framed. It should be neatly mounted on foam board or any sturdy material in order to assure its care and proper appearance for the judges.
- Art work may be mailed or hand carried to the District Office.
- There is no limit to the number of students who may submit artwork from one particular school. However, each student may only submit one piece.
- There will only be **one** winner selected from the 2nd Congressional District. However, we will recognize the second and third place winners during our reception.
- Please fax the **Participation Form** to our District Office as soon as possible in order too allow adequate time for us to schedule the panel of judges and gauge the number of students who will be participating.
- Each piece of artwork submitted MUST have an adhesive label attached to the back of it that includes:

Maryland- 2nd District
Congressman C.A. Dutch Ruppersberger
Title of piece
Student's name
Student's address and phone number

Important Dates

Monday, April 26 - ALL ART WORK IS DUE (no late art work will be accepted)

Friday, April 30 - Winner will be selected and notified

Monday, May 10 - Art Contest Reception in Congressman Ruppersberger's District Office (Tentatively 4:00 p.m.- All teachers, principals, and families invited to attend)

Friday, June 4 - Winning art work must be framed (by the student) and sent to Washington, D.C.

Tuesday, July 13 - Exhibition opening in Washington, D.C., Winning student spends day with Congressman and attends reception.

2004 Congressional Art Competition Guidelines

General Guidelines

- Only two-dimensional artwork will be accepted.
- Each work of art can be no larger than 32 inches by 32 inches to the outside dimensions of the frame.
- Artwork can not be more than 4 inches in depth.

Art work categories are as follows:

- Paintings (oil, acrylics, watercolor, etc.)
- Drawings (pastels, colored pencil, pencil, charcoal, ink, markers, etc.)
- Collage: must be two dimensional
- Prints (lithographs, silkscreen, block prints)
- Mixed media
- Computer generated art
- Photography

Each entry must be an original in concept, design and execution and may not violate any U.S. copyright laws.

- NOTE: Any entry which has been reproduced from an existing photo, painting or any other work produced by another person is a violation of the competition rules and WILL NOT be accepted!

Suitability Guidelines

The final decision regarding suitability for the exhibition in the Capitol will be made by a panel of qualified persons chaired by the Architect of the Capitol. While it is not the intent to censor any artwork, we do wish to avoid the situation of hanging artwork that is potentially controversial and inappropriate for display in the Capitol.

Artwork that will **NOT** be accepted to hang in the Cannon tunnel includes:

- sculpture
- jewelry
- ceramics
- weaving/fabrics
- stained glass
- all 3D artwork